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- a) combining first bristles of a first bristle type into a first partial group;
  - b) combining second bristles of a second bristle type into a second partial group;
  - c) shaping said first partial group in a surrounding guide of a shaping device to obtain a first cross section corresponding to a first partial cross section of said first partial group in the combined bristle group;
  - d) shaping said second partial group in said surrounding guide of said shaping device to obtain a second cross section corresponding to a second partial cross section of said second partial group in the combined bristle group;
  - e) converging said shaped first and second partial groups while maintaining said first and said second partial cross sections to form a cross section of the combined bristle group; and
  - f) mounting the combined bristle group to the bristle support.

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#### Remarks

This amendment has been made to correct an obvious translation error.  
No new matter has been added.



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Enclosures:

Amended claim 25 in square-bracketed and underlined form



25. (amended) A method for the production of brushes, the brushes consisting essentially of at least two different types of bristles collected into at least one combined bristle group having a defined cross section and mounted to a [brush] bristle support, the method comprising the steps of:

- a) combining first bristles of a first bristle type into a first partial group;
- b) combining second bristles of a second bristle type into a second partial group;
- c) shaping said first partial group in a surrounding guide of a shaping device to obtain a first cross section corresponding to a first partial cross section of said first partial group in the combined bristle group;
- d) shaping said second partial group in said surrounding guide of said shaping device to obtain a second cross section corresponding to a second partial cross section of said second partial group in the combined bristle group;
- e) converging said shaped first and second partial groups while maintaining said first and said second partial cross sections to form a cross section of the combined bristle group; and
- f) mounting the combined bristle group to the [brush] bristle support.